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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING  
PERIODICALLY RECURRING OR CONSECUTIVE  
TREATMENTS FOR A PATIENT USING A DATA  
RECORD WHICH INCLUDES THERAPEUTIC  
INFORMATION ITEMS

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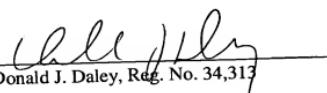
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